

## Posting AmeriCorps VISTA Positions Communities In Schools of Kalamazoo

Term of Service: December 2014 – December 2015

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## **Communities In Schools: Project Achieve**

Communities In Schools of Kalamazoo serves Kalamazoo Public Schools students in fourteen elementary, four middle and two high schools. Our mission is to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life. We envision an engaged community where every child fulfills his or promise. Members serving with Project Achieve will support the development and implementation of college ready programs and activities at elementary and secondary levels in collaboration with parents, schools, and community partners. In addition, they will support programs and activities designed to improve educational and behavioral outcomes of students in urban schools by providing wrap-around physical, social, and academic support to students through the Communities In Schools Integrated Student Services model (<a href="https://www.ciskalamazoo.org">www.ciskalamazoo.org</a>).

## **AmeriCorps VISTA Leader Assignment**

The AmeriCorps VISTA Leader member will serve at the CIS downtown office as well as at KPS school sites. Regular transportation out to the 20 CIS sites is required in order to effectively coach and mentor VISTA members assigned to Project Achieve. The Leader will assist with recruiting, supporting, retaining, and orienting VISTAs to serve at CIS and KPS school sites. The Leader will coordinate VISTAs to support CIS services such as dental, as well as vision and hearing screenings. The Leader will also coordinate VISTAs for Days of Service, regular VISTA team meetings, and trainings. The Leader will collect and organize VISTA reports, timesheets, and site Volunteer Tracking Tools. The Leader will actively promote teamwork and collaboration among the VISTA members, and their CIS site team members.

## Information

Living allowance of \$1,128.00 per month (\$13,536 per year)

Choice of educational award or stipend upon successful completion of one year of service. Members can receive up to two full Education Awards. Segal AmeriCorps Education Award is \$5,550, Cash Stipend \$1,500 Full time, year round position (no part-time work allowed)

At least 18 years of age or older <u>and</u> a US citizen, national or legal permanent resident alien of the U.S. Must be able to attend **REQUIRED** VISTA Leader Training December 2-5, 2014 in Dallas, TX (expenses paid) Must have completed at least one 12-month term as an AmeriCorps VISTA Member.